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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: )  
Peter Löser and Christian Hofmann )  
Serial No.: 10/049,301 )  
Filed: February 6, 2002 )  
For: Non-Human Adenoviral Vector for Gene )  
Transfer, Its Use and the Production Thereof )

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Communication mailed October 7, 2003. A request for a one month extension of time and check for \$55.00 are enclosed herewith. Please consider the following amendments and remarks. However, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse Group I.

**AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (previously amended) A method for transferring genetic material into a mammalian muscle cell or tumor cell, comprising administering to the muscle cell or tumor cell a recombinant genetic material comprising:

(a) DNA sequences of a non-human adenovirus which code for at least a viral protein coat, and

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